

National Center for Public Safety Fitness

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Dear Troopers,

I am writing to introduce you to the **National Center for Public Safety Fitness** at George Mason University in Fairfax, Virginia. The mission of the National Center for Public Safety Fitness is to provide health and fitness information and training for public safety personnel. This includes police officers, sheriff's deputies, corrections officers, firefighters, and emergency medical technicians. Since the Center's inception in 1982, the LawFit and FireFit programs have trained over 6,000 law enforcement and firefighting professionals. As the Center's Director, I personally invite you to attend with your fellow troopers the

5th Annual LawFit Trooper Challenge Friday, 13 October and Saturday 14 October, 2006 George Mason University Fairfax, Virginia

During last year's competition 60 officers from 13 states, the US Marine Corps., and the US Army battled for the title of "Fittest Troopers in America".

The Trooper Challenge consists of a series of six fitness and job-related competitive events:

- 1. One repetition maximum bench press (1RM) based on percentage of body weight lifted
- 2. One-minute timed sit-up test
- 3. Sit and reach flexibility test
- 4. Pull-ups
- 5. 200-yard agility course/suspect pursuit and apprehension
- 6. 1.5 mile run

These tests have been found to be good predictors of an officer's fitness for duty. Scores for the events are age and gender adjusted to provide a fair and equitable competition for all participants.

Officers may participate in a variety of events:

- 1. Four person teams consisting of either four males or two males and two females
- 2. Pairs teams consisting of either two males, two females or one male and one female
- 3. Individual competitors

National Center for Public Safety Fitness • George Mason University Physical Education Building • Room 202 • MS 1F6 • Fairfax, VA. 22030 Phone 703-993-2071 • fax 703-993-2126 • www.lawfit.org • lawfit@hotmail.com We look forward to providing your agency's competitors with an outstanding experience at George Mason University. The \$40 entry fee for each competitor includes a Trooper Challenge commemorative shirt, lunch each day of the competition, and attendance at the Saturday evening banquet. Awards will be presented to the top five male and female competitors as well as the top three teams. Other awards will recognize age-group and individual event winners. All competitors will receive a variety of gifts and fitness gear from sponsoring organizations.

In the aftermath of the 9-11-01 terrorist attacks and with the mandate of Homeland Security in the United States, the health and fitness of law enforcement personnel is more important than ever. Today is a time when state police and highway patrol officers are being called upon to perform increasingly diverse duties in support of military and national security services. The LawFit Trooper Challenge is an opportunity to recognize those officers who have proven they are fit to serve.

Participation in the LawFit Trooper Challenge provides an excellent opportunity for supporting the law enforcement community, specifically your agency's competing officers. Your support of this unique and powerful event is greatly appreciated.

For further information or questions regarding the National Center for Public Safety Fitness and/or the 5th Annual LawFit Trooper Challenge, please contact me personally at 703.993.2071, LawFit@hotmail.com or visit our website at www.lawfit.org. Registration forms and hotel accommodations can be downloaded from this website.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

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Lawfit Trooper Challenge

♣ Sponsoring Site: George Mason University Field House

Thursday, October 12, 2006

7:30pm Welcome & Rules Interpretation Meeting Weigh-in & Registration George Mason University Field House

Friday, October 13, 2006

- ➤ 8:00am Check-in/Light Breakfast
- ➤ 9:00am Opening Ceremonies

Welcome & Introductions Moment of Silence National Anthem

- ➤ 10:00am Games Begin
 - 1. Bench Press
 - 2. Sit Ups
 - 3. Sit & Reach
- ➤ 12:30pm Lunch
- ➤ 2:00pm Games Continue
 - 1. Pull Ups
 - 2. 1.5-Mile Run

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Saturday, October 14, 2006

- ➤ 9:00am Rules & Agility Course Walk-through
- ➤ 10:00am Agility/Obstacle Course
- ➤ 12:00pm Lunch
- ➤ 2:00pm Agility/Obstacle Course
- ➤ 5:30pm Welcome/Cocktail Hour
- ➤ 6:30pm Celebration/Awards Banquet
- > 9:30pm Music/Party/Dancing
 - The Auld Shebeen
 3971 Chain Bridge Road
 Fairfax, Virginia 22030
 703-293-9674

LawFit Trooper Challenge

George Mason University Fairfax, VA

Friday & Saturday, October 13 & 14, 2006

| APPLICANT INFORMATION | | | |
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| Agency Address: | | | |
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| Do you require special accommodations under provision of the Americans with Disabilities Act? Y \(\subseteq N \) | | | |
| If yes, please state the nature of the accommodation required: | | | |
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| EXPRESSED ASSUMPTION OF RISK | | | |
| I authorize that has had a work-related medical examination in the past 12 months; is fit for full duty as a law enforcement officer; and he/she is physically able to participate in the LawFit Trooper Challenge. I further recognize that this event's physical activities (one repetition maximum bench press, 60-second sit-up test, sit & reach flexibility test, maximum repetition pull-up test, 1.5 mile run, and 200 yard suspect pursuit) have the potential to put significant stress on the cardiovascular and musculoskeletal systems of participants. | | | |
| Signature of participating | officer: | | |
| Signature of agency super | visor: | | |
| Print name and address of agency supervisor: | | | |
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| Phone Number: | Fax Number: | | Email: |

Registration fee of \$40 per person made payable to LAWFIT

Mail this form and your registration check to:

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